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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

In re Application of:

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Serial No.: 09/449,077

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Title: HUMAN CD28 SPECIFIC MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES FOR ANTIGEN-NON-SPECIFIC ACTIVATION OF T-LYMPHOCYTES

## AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the office action dated  $\underline{\text{March 15, 2001}}$ , please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, please delete the first line "This patent application claims priority to PCT
Application No. PCT/DE98/01499 with an International filing date of May 28, 1998." and
replace it with the following sentence—This application is a continuation application under 35
U.S.C. §120 of PCT Application No. PCT/DE98/01499 of May 28, 1998.--